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## WEATHER

The week was again quite dry with no measureable amounts of rain over most of the State. The northeast and east central portions of the State had generally less than a quarter of an inch except Wakefield had a shower that dropped 1.22 inches about mid-week. Temperatures were above normal all week.

## CROPS

Most Nebraska farmers had another good week for harvesting crops and doing other fall work. Rain slowed harvesting progress in the northeast.

Corn for grain is about 80% harvested according to County Agents. This is far ahead of the 45% harvested a year ago and slightly ahead of the 75% average. Moisture content of harvested corn is 19%, down 1 point from a week earlier and 4 points from a year earlier. Harvest progress is slowest in the Panhandle and southwest and most advanced in the southeastern third of the State. Considerable corn is down in the Panhandle from strong winds. This is slowing harvest.

Only a few fields of sorghum and soybeans remain to be harvested. Because of the November 13 snow storm a year ago and continuous wet weather, only 60% of the sorghum crop was harvested and 85% of the soybeans by this time. Normally, 90% of the sorghum is harvested and over 95% of the soybeans.

Wheat condition improved with 15% of counties reported excellent, 61% good and 24% fair. Considerable late planted acreage is short and will be subject to wind erosion this winter. Moisture would benefit most wheat.

Sugar beet harvest was completed this week after being delayed because of snows which began about November 1.

Soil moisture supplies declined with topsoil surplus in 7% of counties, adequate in 81%, and short in 12%. Subsoil supplies are mostly adequate.

Main farm activity this past week was harvesting corn. Other work consisted of finishing sorghum and soybean harvest, moving hay, applying fertilizer, fencing, shredding stalks, plowing, and discing. An average of 6.5 days were suitable for fieldwork as light rain in mid-week kept some farmers out of the field in the northeast.

## LIVESTOCK

Range and pasture feed supplies remain mostly average with 18% of counties above average, 78% average, and 4% below average. Many cattle are gleaning harvested fields. Most livestock are doing well.

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Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches <u>1/</u>
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	66	23	45	--	0
	Scottsbluff	63	23	43	+7	0
	Sidney	67	22	45	--	0
NC	Burwell	--	--	--	--	--
	Valentine	64	23	45	+11	.20
NE	Norfolk	69	20	45	+8	.22
	Sioux City	69	31	45	+8	1.10
CEN	Grand Island	70	30	47	+9	T
EC	Lincoln	70	25	45	+5	.01
	Omaha	69	33	47	+9	.07
SW	Imperial	73	24	47	--	0
	North Platte	75	20	44	+8	0

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